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“He didn't do anything unlawful,”

said a Palace source about Prince Harry's naked partying pictures.

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“Suppose you have a man having a nervous breakdown, and a youngster comes after him. A lot of the cases, the youngster—14, 16, 18—is the seducer.”

Controversial remark from Rev. Benedict Groeschel on the scandals within the Roman Catholic Church.

Isaac hits hard

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The storm Isaac hit hard this past week with two canal locks breaking in Louisiana near Lake Pontchartrain. More than 1,000 homes were evacuated due to the flooding and emergency officials were trying to take some of the pressure off of the lock Saturday night. The National Weather Service declared a wall of water 11 feet high that would have resulted from the failure of the first of two canal locks.

Shooting in New Jersey

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Friday morning at 4 a.m., a gunman opened fire at a New Jersey supermarket. He killed two people and then committed suicide. According to NBC, the gunman was in a fight with another coworker when he approached the store carrying a handgun and also an AK-47. He shot out of the windows and then fired inside. The gunman was a 23-year-old former Marine who is suspected of having major mental illness issues as well as severe depression.



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Deadly virus strikes Yosemite

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A deadly virus which has come to be found as rodent-borne has been causing many problems in Yosemite National Park. Six people have been infected and the Curry Village campsite is being shut down to deal with the infestation. There are 2,900 people who are being warned that may have been exposed. The virus, unfortunately, has no cure and causes fatality in 38 percent of the people who come into contact with it. The virus inhibits breathing, making for a very scary time.

White House Experts on Beer

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The White House finally decided to release their recipes for the microbrews which President Obama has been making in the executive branch office. An online petition declared that the Freedom of Information Act called for the recipes to be made public information. Now you can go and access the White House Honey Ale or White House Honey Porter recipes.

Sources: NY Times, The Associated Press, Slate, The Washington Post, The Daily Beast

Jazz Ensemble holds auditions

The Loyola Jazz Ensemble (a 20 piece jazz band) and the Jazz Combo (4-8 musicians) will hold auditions Sept. 4-7 in CTW035, on the ground floor of College Center West on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 12:15-1:15 p.m. and 3-4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Sept. 5, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2:15-4 p.m.; and Thursday, Sept 7, 12:15-1:15 p.m. Email Dr. Anthony Villa at avilla@loyola.edu with the times you are available to audition (for scheduling purposes please include all available times). Jazz Ensemble can be taken for credit (1.5 per semester).

Loyola hosts Baltimore Curriculum Project's Leading Mind Series Sept. 27

Loyola's School of Education and Urbanite magazine are hosting the Baltimore Curriculum Project's Leading Mind Series on Thursday, Sept. 27, from 5-6:30 p.m. in McGuire Hall. The topic is "How to Evaluate and Support Great Teachers." Doors open at 4 p.m. with a reception and networking session featuring organizations that are responsible for education initiatives throughout the Baltimore area. The event is free and open to the public, but registration is required.

To register, visit the website or email bcpinfo@baltimorecp.org. For more information call Larry Schugam at 410-675-7000 ext. 17 or visit www.baltimorecp.org/leadingminds/.

Project Mexico/Encounter El Salvador Applications

Applications for Project Mexico and Encounter El Salvador, international immersion programs with CCSJ, are now available. The deadline for applying is very soon after the academic year begins, Friday, September 14, by 3 p.m. So if you are interested in applying you

can do so immediately or you can come to the information sessions which will be held Thursday, September 6, and Monday, September 10, at 7 p.m. You can find out more information about both programs on our website. Project Mexico is for undergraduate students and the application is available online.

Any questions feel free to contact Andrea Goicochea at mgoicochea@loyola.edu or call at 410-617-5823.

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Fine Arts opens courses in music and dance courses

The fine arts department is happy to announce open sections of the following courses for Fall 2012:

- MU* 201.06 Music Fundamentals (3.00cr) MW 3-4:15 p.m.
- DR* 260.01 Introduction to Dance (3.00cr) MW 10-10:50 a.m.
- DR* 260.02 Introduction to Dance (3.00cr) MW noon-12:50 p.m.

Campus Police Blotter

Selected excerpts from reports

Tuesday, Aug. 21

At approximately 9:30 a.m., a Loyola police officer on patrol at Newman entered the bathroom located next to Iggy's, where he observed a gentleman that appeared to be bathing at the sink. The officer also noticed a large backpack by his side. After the gentleman was finished drying himself off, the officer asked the man if he was working or visiting the University. The gentleman appeared to become annoyed and uncooperative and would not answer the officer's questions. The officer then asked if he could check the gentleman's backpack, at which point the man again refused. The officer contacted OIC, who also responded to the incident area; both parties explained to the gentleman that since this is private property and he had no business at the University, they would like to see the contents of his bag, after which the man would leave with only a verbal warning. The gentleman agreed, was shown the exit and left University property without incident.

Friday, Aug. 24

At around 12:15 a.m., an officer on patrol noticed a red Nissan Sentra parked in the middle of the 4600 block of Kerneway off of Cold Spring Lane. After a brief investigation of the vehicle, the officer noticed that no one was in it, the sunroof was open and it had heavy front-end damage. The officer ran the plate through base with negative results; he then contacted BCPD to run the plate. Results from the dispatcher reported that the car was stolen from Coppin State University the previous morning at around 10:30 a.m. Nothing of value was in plain view. A tow truck was ordered through the city, and all parties cleared the scene at 1:22 a.m.

- compiled by Katie Krzaczek

International trips give students, faculty opportunity to expand their borders and change lives

BY LINDSEY RENNIE
STAFF WRITER

Imagine visiting unaccompanied minors in San Diego, temporarily housed by the U.S. government because they crossed the Mexican border unaccompanied, as they bide the time until their deportations or other arrangements; or spending two nights with a Salvadoran family in the countryside of El Salvador, experiencing their personal stories and struggles, food, music and being welcomed into the family.

You could have experiences like one of these, and many more interactions with an international community, if you choose to apply for either Project Mexico or Encounter El Salvador.

Both Project Mexico and Encounter El Salvador are international immersion trips sponsored by CCSJ, the Center for Community Service and Justice. Project Mexico participants will include 18 sophomores, juniors and seniors, two student leaders and three staff and administrators, who will travel to San Diego, California and Mexicali, Mexico for ten days in January 2013. The Encounter El Salvador team will spend ten days in El Salvador in May, leaving the Tuesday after graduation. This group will be comprised of nine sophomores, juniors and seniors, four faculty, staff and administrators, Andrea (Andy) Goicochea, the assistant director for International Immersions in CCSJ, and Dave Opitz from Information Technology, the assistant coordinator.

Jesuit scholastics established the Project Mexico program. In 1987, Rev. Timothy Brown, S.J. continued the program at Loyola with the intention that students would be able to see, with their own eyes, the realities that surround people who are disconnected from the members of the Loyola community due to distance and cultural differences.

Participants begin their trip in San Diego by visiting Border patrol, touring the fenced

area between California and Mexico and visiting day laborers. These undocumented immigrants stand in front of businesses and stores every day, hoping for someone to drive by offering work. Each day, the laborers do not know how much money they will earn, or even if they will receive an offer of work, but they continue to try to support their families.

Maria Mitidieri, a senior, was a Project Mexico participant two years ago; this year, she and Ryan Zadera, also a senior, will be leaders for the trip. Mitidieri remembers being most impacted by her experience with the Border Angels in San Diego.

"We went to the desert border region where there is no fence and immigrants are known to cross through the canyons," said Mitidieri. "We laid out jugs of water in the canyons because the number one killer of immigrants is thirst." Simple acts of solidarity such as this are what often define the experience for Project Mexico participants.

In Mexicali, Mexico participants pour cement, grow cacti and cultivate honey hives and beehives, a major nutritional and economic resource for the region.

"Our purpose is to help community development groups [with the upkeep of] the town of Mexicali, to improve conditions of the community there so there isn't such a need to emigrate," Mitidieri said.

While the Project Mexico participants participate in direct service, as well as education through service, which CCSJ is known for, the focus of Encounter El Salvador is largely one of social justice and solidarity. During

the time participants spend with local families, children and communities, CCSJ says they will partake in service of presence, an often new experience, even for experienced volunteers. Service of presence is about being with a community, not directly serving it, according to CCSJ, as they strive to keep with the Jesuit ideal of "men and women for and with others."

The Encounter El Salvador Team will learn about the economy

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and development in El Salvador and discuss environmental issues currently affecting the country. Much of their time will be spent in community with the people of El Salvador, in conversation about issues the nation faces and exploring and learning about this diverse culture. All of these aspects keep with the trip's focus on service of presence. The group will also visit the U.S. Embassy in El Salvador, discuss U.S. policies concerning the country, visit museums and cultural centers and learn about the Jesuit martyrs in El Salvador.

In summing up her experience, Ashley Parker, an M.B.A. candidate at Loyola and past Encounter El Salvador participant said, "The people of El Salvador speak the language of love and have a wealth for life that is greater than money could ever buy. They will also open their hearts and their homes to you in a way that you have never experienced before. I left with a new perspective on what

it means to be truly open and to love others no matter what."

"The El Salvador program started in 1999 from the referral of an alum who thought the experience is really what CCSJ is all about," said Goicochea, assistant director of International Immersions in CCSJ. She began organizing and going on the trip in 2005.

Both the El Salvador and Project Mexico trips have a preparation component and scheduled time for reflection during the trips, so that not only will students have experiential learning while immersed in a different cultural, they will be able to prepare for and actively reflect on what they have seen and learned. Weekly group meetings during the fall semester will prepare the Project Mexico participants, while weekly meetings during the spring semester will be held for the Encounter El Salvador participants.

There is a fee for each participant, but both trips are largely funded by the Project Mexico/ Encounter El Salvador Auction, scheduled for Friday, November 16 from 5-8 p.m. in McGuire Hall. Students going on both trips have different responsibilities in regards to seeking donations from friends, family, community members and themselves that can be auctioned off to raise money for the trips. The entire Loyola community is invited to attend the auction, even if you don't intend to bid on anything, said Mitidieri. There will be an all-you-can-eat meal with cultural foods from Mexico and El Salvador included in the ticket price.

Applications for both Project Mexico and Encounter El Salvador include essay questions, a reference form and other basic information. They are available now at www.loyola.edu/ccsj and are due on Friday, Sept. 14. There will be information sessions for both programs on Thursday, Sept. 6 as well as Monday, Sept. 10. For more information about specific programs and sample schedules, please visit www.loyola.edu/ccsj/pmex and www.loyola.edu/elsal.

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Grant funds Loyola professor's research on two new books

By LISA POTTER
STAFF WRITER

Over the summer, Dr. Karsonya "Kaye" Whitehead, an assistant professor in Loyola's Communication Department, was awarded a research fellowship by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. The \$3,000 fellowship will go towards research for two books that Dr. Whitehead is currently writing; the book she is spending most of her time on is titled, *The Emancipation Proclamation: Race Relations on the Eve of Reconstruction*.

"*The Emancipation Proclamation: Race Relations on the Eve of Reconstruction* will examine the moments of tension that happened within the enslaved and free black communities prior to the release of the Emancipation Proclamation, and how the release of this document signified a dramatic shift in the direction and purpose of the Civil War, race relations and citizenship status for the enslaved and free black communities. It will also examine the reasons why Lincoln chose to write and release this document; the wartime efforts of the free black community; the impact of the first and second Confiscation Acts; and, the ways in which the war was shaped by the increased number of enslaved black men who became a part of the military,"

said Dr. Whitehead.

Dr. Whitehead's second book, *Notes from a Slave Ship: The 1749-1751 Diary of William Chancellor*, is the diary of a physician working on a slave ship called the Wolf, which traveled along the Middle Passage.

"The diary records the complex relationships between the African slave traders and the captain of the [slave ship]; the international rivalries that were associated with the transatlantic trade system; sketches of villages that the crew visited and traded with along the West Coast of Africa; and a daily recording of the problems, frustrations, medical issues and horrors that took place aboard the Wolf," said Dr. Whitehead.

While Dr. Whitehead was hoping to work on *Notes from a Slave Ship: The 1749-1751 Diary of William Chancellor* during her 2012 spring sabbatical, she was offered a contract by a publishing company to work on *The Emancipation Proclamation: Race Relations on the Eve of Reconstruction*, and will finish the diary afterwards in the fall of 2013.

Dr. Whitehead used the money she received from the fellowship to locate primary sources for *The Emancipation Proclamation: Race Relations on the Eve of Reconstruction*, which includes 19th century newspapers that discussed the Emancipation Proclamation. She was also able read through two slave

ship manifestos for *Notes from a Slave Ship: The 1749-1751 Diary of William Chancellor*. Whitehead also funded research trips to the Library of New-York Historical Society and the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture in New York and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

"I believe that I bring an interdisciplinary approach to my research and to my teaching," said Dr. Whitehead, who holds a Ph.D. in Language, Literacy and Culture with specializations in black women's history and historical sociolinguistics, the study of language and society in history. Additionally, she holds a Master's degree in International Peace Studies with specializations in race, class and gender and an undergraduate degree in history. She is the former Gilder Lehrman Maryland History Teacher of the Year, a Master Teacher in History, a three-time New York Emmy-nominated documentary filmmaker, a television producer and a world traveler.

"My research is motivated and shaped by my personal experiences," said Dr. Whitehead. "I am interested in the social construction of race, class and gender and how these theories have shaped the world in which I live."

Dr. Whitehead also recently finished her first book, *Notes from a Colored Girl: The 1863-1865 Pocket Diaries of Emilie Davis*,

which she said was the most important and most "near and dear" to her. The book stems from her 2009 dissertation based on Emilie Davis' diary. Emilie Davis, a freeborn woman, worked for the Ladies' Union Association to raise money to help black soldiers and formerly enslaved communities in South Carolina. In addition to the time Whitehead spent with Davis's diary and telling her story, she said she felt a personal connection to Davis because her parents are also from South Carolina and are four generations removed from enslavement.

"I feel that as Emilie worked in the North to help end enslavement and send money to help the newly freed communities, she was doing it to help my family," said Dr. Whitehead.

"My research projects stem from my desire to seek out voices and stories that have traditionally gone unnoticed and unheard. I like working with primary sources—diaries, letters, church records, legal documents and club notes—and using them as a prism to explore the person's life and their community. I grew up in a family where my father used to sit us down on Saturday evenings and tell us stories about his life growing up in South Carolina. I grew up listening to stories and I now enjoy finding ways to tell them," said Dr. Whitehead.

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Disclaimer: I apologize for the overuse of the following statement in the past week, but alas...

Welcome back to Loyola! (And welcome, class of 2016. Get pumped.)

I know that picking up a copy of *The Greyhound* every Tuesday will become a part of your weekly routine, and since you will be so dedicated, I want to let you know how to weigh in and share your thoughts on the issues we cover.

In this election season especially, we anticipate plentiful dialogue on campus and want to encourage everyone to take an active role in the discussion. If you read something you disagree with or would like to supplement, write a letter to the editor.

The guidelines for submitting a letter, as stated in *The Greyhound* constitution, are as follows:

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Our goal is publishing letters (and any article, really) is to prompt discussion and offer a representation of the campus climate. The stories we publish are not meant to champion any individual's viewpoint or reflect the paper's opinion. What matters to you is what matters to us, so we hope that you utilize these tips and strike up a conversation.

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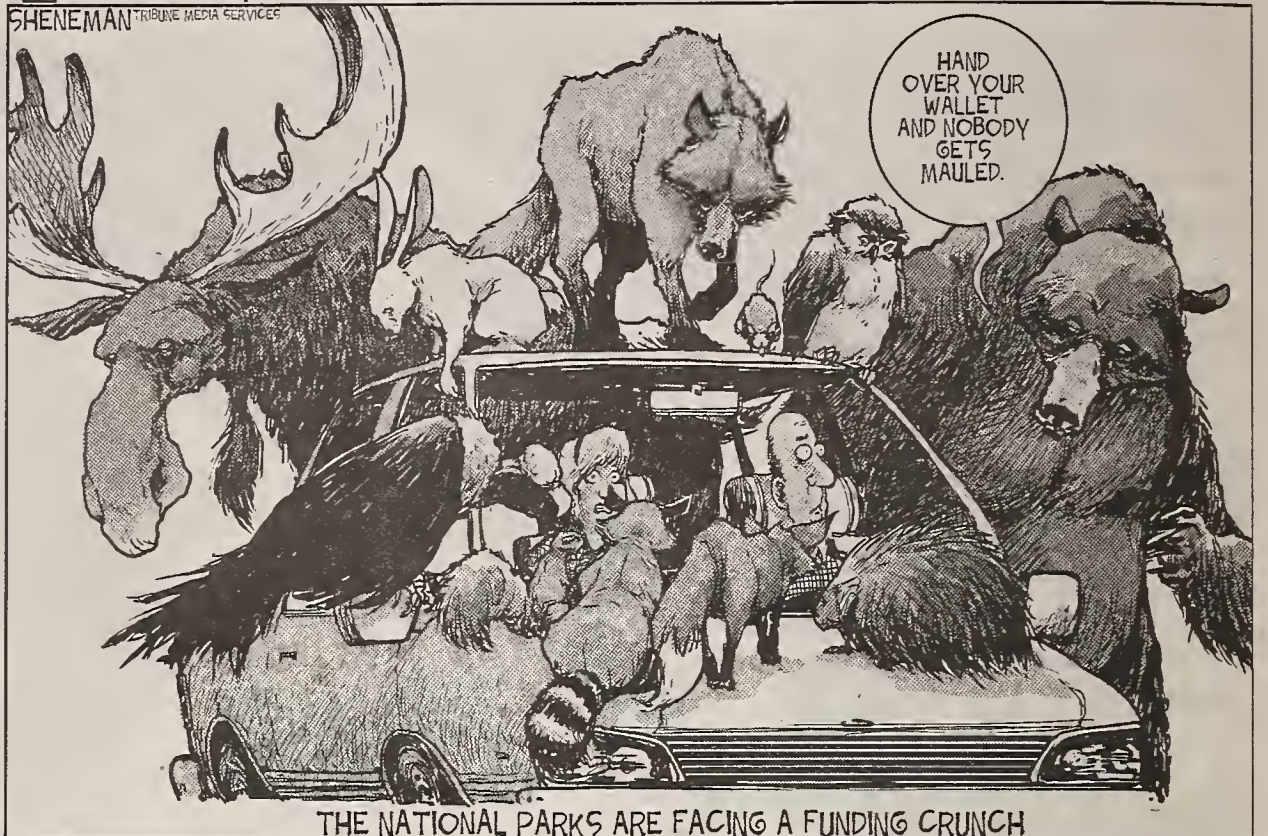
In other news, I wish you all a happy syllabus week. Thanks for reading.

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National parks struggle with impact of continuing budget cuts



Undecided, indifferent voters hold power in election

"Those who seem the least now will become the greatest" (Luke 13:30 CEV). This may be a reference to the kingdom of God, but in my experience, the same rings true in the coming election.

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Outside of campaign season, we never hear of politicians pandering to independents. Yet during the election season we hear so much talk of candidates trying to convince independents and "middle of the road" voters. Both Mitt Romney and President Obama can more or less expect their respective bases to vote for them, so the majority of each of their four to five hundred million dollar campaigns focus instead on the undecided or independent voters. This election has been called polarizing and the candidates represent diametrically opposed viewpoints on virtually every issue: Republicans would repeal and replace Obamacare while Democrats would uphold

it; Democrats would allow the Bush tax cuts to expire while Republicans would preserve them, and so on. In this diverging political climate, who are those undecided that somehow find themselves caught between opposite views? Who are the individuals for whom the bulk of campaign money is spent?

Statistics can tell us a little bit about these voters. According to *Bloomberg BusinessWeek*, only 6 percent of the electorate classifies themselves as undecided. This seems like good news. With two diametrically opposed platforms, voters really ought to know whom they will cast their ballots for at this point. However, the same poll indicated that 19 percent of voters feel that they could be persuaded to change their mind before Election Day.

Yet these statistics can only tell us so much. I spent the summer interning on a Congressional campaign where I had the unique opportunity to interact with the electorate from all walks of life: rich, poor, Democrat, Republican or clueless.

Every weekend I went door knocking, and on weekdays I made campaign calls. I expected voters to know who they would select on the presidential ticket, but be unfamiliar with their Congressional candidates. Most people did fit this mold. These voters ranged from strong supporters of either side to voters who could not articulate why they chose a particular party. Finally, there was what I have come to call the "American Idol voter." These were individuals who either had no idea that there was an upcoming election or simply did not care. I call them "American Idol voters" because I could not find any issue upon which these voters made their decision, aside from the superficial.

Voting is an effort: You either have to wait in line at the polls (and in many states show ID!) or you must apply and fill out an absentee ballot in advance. One would think that the "American Idol voters" would abstain from voting altogether, but this is not the case. Any voter whose door

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Slacktivism: Feel good measure or effortless awareness

As of today, summer is officially over and—though we are all excited to be back at Loyola, I'm sure—the time has come to readjust to homework, exams and the sight of a classroom. While slacking may not be at an all-time high as it is later on in the semester, this is the time of year when we are

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reintroduced to the concept, along with the schoolwork. What better time is there, then, to talk about *slacktivism*?

I am not too ashamed to admit that during my summer vacation I spent a good deal of time on Facebook, and during that time I saw several sad and disturbing images of destruction, abuse or starvation. Each picture had a similar caption: Like or repost this on this-dog's/cat's/child's/city's behalf. Each one had received a significant number of comments and likes—slacktivism in its purest form.

The term “slacktivism” is a cross between “slacking” and “activism.” According to the *Huffington Post*, slacktivism efforts include signing Internet petitions and sharing information on social media sites like Facebook or Twitter, and it is often “defined as merely a feel-good measure that requires little personal effort or sacrifice on the part of the individual [and] has little practical impact in actually helping the involved cause.”

They always say it's the thought that counts, but I never understood how much good my *thoughts* would do in these situations. Maybe that idea applies better to gift giving—an action *backed* by a thought—because simply

liking a status cannot rebuild someone's house or put a wanted criminal behind bars. Therefore, slacktivism has even become a joke to some—I once came across a website with a crudely constructed pie chart on it, displaying the amount of people saved by this type of slacktivism. The entire pie chart was one color, which meant none.

In addition, slacktivism has been attacked for helping the slacktivist more than the cause he or she supports. When I signed an online petition to bring back my favorite show, *Arrested Development*, I was definitely doing so with my own happiness in mind, but the same goes for a lot of Internet users who blog and tweet about (more important) causes for their own satisfaction. Oftentimes, the slacktivist feels infinitely better about him or herself, but little is actually done for the cause.

Despite these problems, though, I don't want to completely condemn slacktivism. Reposting, sharing, tweeting and liking a cause does show support, after all, and it's certainly better than complete apathy about a current issue. Maybe clicking a button is lazy, but it isn't as lazy as doing nothing.

Slacktivism has its benefits, too, and it would be wrong to write them off. The Internet connects people across the world and allows us to share information easily, so at the very least, slacktivism does spread awareness about the causes we find important enough to share.

Take the efforts following the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, for example. Mere days after the earthquake devastated Haiti and its inhabitants, the American Red Cross had already raised millions of dollars for the relief effort through text messages.

Donations “flooded in,” according to CNN, because the concept was so simple: Whenever someone texted the word “Haiti” to a specific number, a \$10 donation was added to their cell phone bill. Facebook and Twitter helped spread the word, and all three modes of communication worked together as a “powerful combination.” It doesn't get much more effortless than that.

To me, there is no better symbol for a tech-savvy slacker than a cell phone, especially one with the ability to tweet, check Facebook and send an unlimited number of text messages. Yet this slacktivist pastime raised an incredible amount of money in a short time and made a real difference in the earthquake relief efforts. Slacktivism, then, when done the right way, can really have an impact.

This is true even on a smaller scale. The purchase of awareness paraphernalia, for example, is easy and almost effortless, and for this reason it can be considered a form of slacktivism. It is especially easy and effortless for Loyola students, since every time we walk through the doors of our dining hall we are surrounded by clubs selling ribbons, pins, cupcakes and bracelets (freshmen, if you don't see what I mean yet, just wait until March). How can anyone say, though, that the money raised from these sales doesn't make a huge impact on our school's organizations, like Loyola's Relay for Life?

The next time you feel strongly about something, don't be afraid to speak out, post it on your wall or tweet about it. But keep this in mind: That is just step one, requiring minimal effort. Real action—whether considered slacktivism or not—is the next step, and that will make the real difference.

Tweets of the Week

The birds are chirping.

“I never go camping, but sometimes I go to bed without watching TV so I get it.”
-KRanga3

“On a scale of 1-10 on how happy I am that I moved in early and avoided the chaos today, I'm probably at a 12.”
-zapeters

“Sucks that I hate all three songs they play on the radio.”
-totalbetchmove

“Baking in the oven that is the greyhound office. #sogoddamn-hot”
-hashtagkatie

“It's great how I can watch all the people walking to the gym while I sit on my ass in the kitchen eating cheese and crackers.”
-megheaning

“Madonna was really good back in the 80s when she was a vivacious 45 year old.”
-Eric_OroPLAYUHH

“Parent in Hammerman ‘Why isn't the vending machine taking my dollar?’ Me ‘Because that's a coin slot and that's card swiping machine’ #DUH”
-cheeS_Danish

“Gave a homeless man \$1.50 in quarters. He told me I look like Elvis. Do I need to pay everyone that amount for compliments?”
-PatrickJWard

“Loyola better, more drunk. Towson, no.’ cab driver”
-Suz_Ma_D

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Sen. Akin's comments perpetuate hurtful stereotypes

There is a reason why, at an innocent age, children chant the motto, “boys are from Mars, girls are from Venus.” We are indeed from different walks of life, and although those differences do not make either gender more superior than the other, they do make us distinct—different in the ways we verbalize our thoughts, conduct our actions and

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express our feelings. Although each of the aforementioned can define our differences, often the first distinction noted is physique. Women are made fragile, while men are made strong. We, women, are caretakers and nurturers, while men are the providers and head honchos. But the greatest accolade of those graced with the XX chromosomes is a keen feminine intuition, one claimed with young womanhood and later motherhood. However, recently, a new intuition has arisen; it is an ability to know when one is being “legitimate(ly) rape(d).” At least, Rep. Todd Akin (MO-R) would like to think so. Perhaps the ridiculously prehistoric characteristics of women mentioned earlier may fit his perception of women as well, but they most certainly do not fit mine.

It's here that the second portion of the nursery rhyme hits me, “Boys go to Jupiter to get more stupider...”

Granted, the gaffe of one conservative, male political candidate cannot be a stamp for all XY chromosomes out there; however, it does raise the question whether men can be extremely insensitive to and removed from rape and consequential pregnancies.

In mid-August, Rep. Todd Akin responded to a question regarding abortion, rape and pregnancy with the following: “—from what I understand from doctors, it's really rare. If it's a legitimate rape, the female body has ways to try to shut the whole thing down.” Congressman Akin has since clarified his statement the way many politicians do—by apologizing. Amongst his damage control, his ignorance still shines through, and he has not ended his campaign for senate. Rather, he has been joined by fellow colleagues, like Maryland's Rep. Roscoe Bartlett (R), who continue to breed ignorance and later hide behind a cloak of PR press statements. Eerily similar to Akin, Bartlett stated the following in a town-hall meeting: “—there are very few pregnancies as a result of rape, fortunately, and incest.”

One percent of abortions are estimated to occurred due to rape and/or incest, which accounts for about 15,000 cases. Additionally, rape is the most unreported crime in the justice system. Although these statistics are relatively low in comparison to other types of abortions, it does not validate the individual violations of each female that makes up that

one percent. And, aside from the statistics, no rape should be validated under the premise that a woman makes the conscious choice or understanding that she's being legitimately raped, but forgot to “shut down” her ovaries. Conversely, no man can legitimately rape a woman; instead he can purposefully violate her mind, body and soul, leaving an ineradicable mark on her life.

Words, like actions, have consequences. The word “rape” legally means “criminal offense defined in most states as forcible sexual relations with a person against that person's will.” The word “legitimate” means “justify or make lawful.” Thus, the words “legitimately raped” mean to make lawful a criminal offense known as forcible sexual relations.

Make sense now? Indeed, these men must come from a different planet.

No rape victim chooses to be raped, let alone “legitimately raped,” left with a severely damaged psyche and impregnated womb. The issue this article takes with these words is not on the abortion controversy. What these men have perpetuated is not merely an argument surrounding abortion, but also this idea that a crime can be legitimately committed. Their words and connotations demean more or less 15,000 women and a crime committed against them. At the end of the day, that is the issue.

The Talk: Why it's important to have the political conversation

It's time to have the much-dreaded "talk." No, not the talk that you had with your parents when you were 11 or 12, but another talk that many young adults are still uncomfortable having with their parents, and even their peers today. With the upcoming presidential election in November, it is time to talk about politics.

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Recently, a friend of mine explained to me that politics was not discussed in her household. She said that since nobody could agree with or affect the functioning of our government, what was the purpose of talking about them at all?

That comment made me sad because it was not the first time I had heard such beliefs, and I'm sure it will not be the last. I had to disagree with her because I think it is very important to discuss these types of topics with our friends and family. How else are we going to learn what we believe and don't believe if we don't question, debate and discuss the issues that our government is trying to decide for us? Our generation is on the verge of adulthood, and it's time we started getting involved with the matters at hand.

I believe that a lot of young adults don't want to talk about government and politics because they don't feel adequately informed enough to do so. However, I don't think we should worry about seeming stupid. Now is the time when we should be reading up on things we don't understand and questioning everything possible. Mistakes are inevitable, but we might as well make them now.

Once during a college interview, I thought I would wow the interviewer with my political savvy by telling her that I was a big proponent of free trade. When pressed to explain my affinity, I told her how I loved the idea of purchasing free trade coffee that was more costly in exchange for the knowledge that the growers and producers of the

béan were getting paid a decent price for their product. I added that I was even thinking of starting a club. As I was internally gloating over the assuredly good impression I had made on the woman, she reminded me that what I was referring to was in fact called fair trade. Although my mistake occurred at an inopportune moment, I learned from it. I might have sounded silly and uninformed, but making the mistake early on in life has kept me from making it again and gave me cause to learn the difference between the two.

The moral of this story is that now is the time for us to make mistakes. If we begin to have political dialogue, sure we might say something stupid or inaccurate, but we will learn and adapt. That way we don't end up in our sixties proclaiming that a woman's body has defenses against pregnancy when it is being "legitimately raped," like the U.S. Representative from Missouri, Todd Akin.

I have also heard some of my peer's state that our votes don't matter. But according to an article in the *Washington Post*, there are 15 million Americans under the age of 30. You can't say that if these millions of new voters went to the polls and voted for what they believed in, it wouldn't somewhat affect the outcome.

Decisions about our future are being made right now, and saying that we don't care or understand is not going to stop them from being made. Personally, I have a hard time accepting the fact that I will ever get old, but unfortunately I will. I don't want some 60-year-old politician making decisions that won't affect him for how I'm going to live now and in the future. I want to voice my opinion over issues like health care and social security that will affect me in the future. I'm not telling you which way to vote, but I'm hoping that you take the time, read about the issues and get out to the polls (or register for your absentee ballots). So grab your friends, family, boyfriends or girlfriends because it's time to have the talk.

American Idol voters will decide election

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I knocked on or whose phone I called had voted at least once in the last four elections. Our campaign used a database called Voter Vault to sort through all registered voters so that we would solicit only likely voters. Voter Vault and its Democratic counterpart, VoteBuilder, are databases that contain the voting information of every voter in every state, made available to candidates under the "Help America Vote Act."

What I initially found unfathomable—that a quarter of the voter base could still be "persuaded"—soon became validated by my everyday experience campaigning. Nearly every time I made phone calls or went door-knocking, at least one person complained that it was too early for us to bother them with the campaign. In fact, one day a woman called our office after hanging up on one of our phone bank volunteers and proceeded to give a 20-minute lecture about how it was "far too early to be making these stupid calls about

some silly election." Of course, she would've wasted far less of her time if she'd simply talked to the volunteer that called her.

No system is flawless, but I had a truly eye-opening summer. I learned that our election can, and likely will, be decided by this 25 percent. Those of you who are optimistic may call this 25 percent open-minded. The polarizing climate of this election, coupled with my experience, has led me to disagree. I do not believe that any person with any level of a developed political theory could be undecided at this point. This is not to say that this 25 percent is all going to be blindly led to one side over the other; rather that each of these voters ought to be committed to one candidate if they are voting on the issues. Of course, this is nothing new—there have always been last-minute decision voters. The least may be the greatest in the kingdom of God, but to fellow political aficionados: Doesn't it bother you that the least involved voters matter the most?

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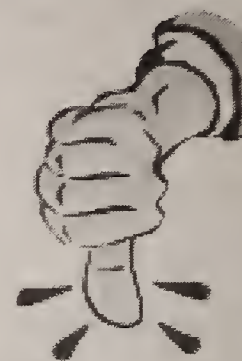
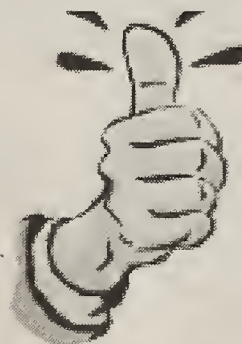
BY MR. MERTLE AND NORVILLE RODGERS

Thumbs up to Michael Phelps becoming the most decorated Olympian of all time and becoming the new Assistant Coach of the Swim team. Side note: you think he ever just wears his medals around? Like I would totally wear like 2 or 3 when I'm going to pick up some groceries or something.

To finally being able to join in on my friends' conversations about their awesome their school's sports are. We have some credibility now. I mean, we were beating Ohio State 4-0 in basketball at one point, so...

On a personal note, thumbs up to my move from Campion to Seton. Sure, the room is a little bigger. Sure, I like not living in a high-rise. More than anything though, I've been thrilled to find that I am now living out of range of the Royal Farms stench. Now, when it gets windy, I can open my windows free of the worry that my room will soon smell like week old fried chicken.

To having a competitive baseball team here in Baltimore. While we're on the subject, here's hoping that the Orioles are the cause of more uses of the word "Mitt" than anything else this Fall. For the most part we'll try to be bipartisan here in Thumbs, but really, there's no chance for any other use of "Barack."



Thumbs down to being one of the last schools to go back. The past week and a half was spent looking at Facebook pictures of everyone having fun at school, while I sat at home twiddling my thumbs and being "Errand Boy" for my mom.

To professors that post the syllabus on Moodle in like June. Cool it, bro. The only reason I go on Moodle in the summer is to check out the class rosters.

To the realization that almost all of my friends are abroad for the semester. Perhaps the fact that I'm realizing this now just shows that "friends" may have been a strong term, but if any of you are reading this from lands far away (and I know you aren't), come back.

One of my least favorite things in life is when people argue about things they could probably agree about and just completely don't listen to who they're arguing with. On that note, let's welcome in election season once again.

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College Etiquette: First Week Essential Guide for First-Years

BY LEYA BURNS
STAFF WRITER

Oh, the first week of classes. Where did the summer go (If you're thinking, "I wasted it playing video games and pretending I understood obscure Olympic sports," then high five! Me too!)?

All you sophomores, juniors and seniors have already had an entire year of being blessed by the presence of this etiquette column, but you lovely first-years have absolutely no inkling of the wisdom I can impart. The best remedy would obviously be to spend every precious minute between classes carefully combing through each article, committing it to memory—but even I'm not going to make that joke. You don't really even have to go back through to read my old columns (but you can if you want to!) because today I'm coming to you with my very own first week essential etiquette guide for first-years.

Learn Where Things Are

OK, so you've been on at least one campus tour, plus summer *and* fall orientations. You're an expert at this. You know the campus like the back of your—wait, where the *heck* is W010? Is that even a real place?

Campus tours are pretty great, but they only hit the major landmarks. I'm going to assume you know where the chapel and the library are (If you don't, well, wow). But you probably don't know where your communications class is off the top of your head, or the best route from the third floor of Humanities to the fourth floor of Maryland Hall. The good news is that you'll learn in time. The bad news is that learning generally takes way more time than is convenient for anyone.

Leave for class with plenty of time to spare.

Guide to Baltimore neighborhoods beyond the Inner Harbor

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When Loyola students think of Baltimore, a few key places come to mind—The Inner Harbor, Camden Yards, Craig's—but I am here to tell you that there are more places in Baltimore than just those. For you returning students, you might be starting to realize that you have not been experiencing all Baltimore has to offer, and as for you new students, you want to make the most of your years at Loyola as soon as possible. Here is a guide to some of the major neighborhoods in Baltimore (there are over 225) that you might want to check out. I suggest you get a bus schedule for either the public bus or the Charm City Circulator if you don't want to spend all that money on the cabs.

Hampden: Only 10 minutes off of campus, this neighborhood is by far the quirkiest of all. This upcoming Saturday, I suggest you go the Hampdenfest. There will be toilet bowl races, a mac and cheese cook-off, live music and food and shopping vendors. If that sounds like a little much, you can always go visit on a typical day and explore the variety of restaurants and locally owned shops. Restaurants to Check Out: Café Hon, Grano Pasta Bar, Golden West Café

If you really don't know where you're going, this will give you the opportunity to explore and figure it out. If you have a free afternoon, go spelunking in, say, Humanities, with a friend. Find all of your classes and then find all of the stairs no one uses (I'm not telling you which stairs those are. I'm allowed to have secrets.). The last thing you want to have to worry about when your professor keeps you five minutes past the end of class is how you're going to get *out* of the building.

The upside to all of this is that once you learn, you'll always know. The best way to learn is by doing, so once you make your way between all of your classes a few times, you're not going to forget (Pro tip: Have all—yes, all—of your Tuesday/Thursday classes in Humanities your first semester. You'll never leave the building, but on purpose!). This is, tragically, not Hogwarts, so hallways and staircases don't move around when you're not looking. Except for when they renovated that side entrance to Humanities—but, you know what, forget I said that.

When in doubt, check the room numbers on the walls. If you're standing next to 343 but you're looking for 058, find some stairs and go down until you can't anymore. If you're really lost, ask an Evergreen. Their good outlook and cheerful attitude is frankly

heroic and looks just *exhausting*.

Bonus upperclassmen tip: Don't mess with the freshmen. If you know where they need to go, give them directions. If you don't, well, no one said being a freshman was easy.

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Learn How to Ignore Your Roommate (And the Rest of Your Friends)

This one sounds a little bit mean and crazy, but hear me out. I swear it makes at least a small amount of sense.

Statistically, most of you have never shared a bedroom with anyone in your life. I know this because they like to tell everyone that at the beginning of the year. This means that you may never have figured out how to share your space before. I can help. After two years of college, several shared-room camp experiences and 12 years of sharing a room with my sister, one of the best secrets you'll ever learn is to mutually—and amiably—ignore each other.

I'm not telling you to only communicate with your roommate via Post-it note. Ideally, you really want to be friends with the person you're stuck with for nine months. But it's

impossible to sit around being friends and talking and hanging out 24/7. More than dividing space and sharing cleaning routines, what you really need to do is get comfortable, completely ignoring the person five feet away from you every once in a while. Doing research, writing papers and even watching Netflix when you told everyone you had homework is kind of impossible when you feel compelled to be engaged with your roommate all of the time. It's okay to ignore each other.

The same rule goes for your other friends. If you're as lucky as I was my first year, you'll totally love/be marginally obsessed with just about everyone on your hall. This is good and bad. It's good because, well, friends are pretty okay. And it's bad because if you don't take some time to ignore each other every once in a while, you will start to get burned out and annoyed with each other. Don't think that you're missing out on The College Experience© if you skip out every once in a while. You don't want to go from best friends during orientation to never speaking by week three.

Upperclassmen tip: Make friends with the freshmen. There are always a lot of awesome ones, and you can have guaranteed new people for the stuff you like (Who wants to write for *The Greyhound*?).

Being the fount of free advice that I am, I could go on and on about what you need to know for your first week of classes. Sadly, however, my editor has yet to agree to let me take over the whole section. So I'll leave you with what you really need to know: Use your common sense, keep everything in balance and grab an upperclassman to show you how to open your mail stop. Seriously, it's impossible to figure out on your own.

Mount Vernon: This neighborhood was once the hub of many fine mansions in Baltimore but has now expanded to include restaurants, stores, galleries and museums. This is also the neighborhood where the annual Baltimore Books Festival is held. From September 28-30, there will be hundreds of authors, book exhibitions and demonstrations, not to mention street food and music.

Restaurants to Check Out: Red Emma's Coffeehouse, Never on Sundays, Thai Landing, City Cafe

Little Italy: If you are in the mood for a more upscale meal, you might want to venture over to Little Italy, located a short distance from the Inner Harbor. It is also a great place to have your parents take you when they come to visit because there are over 30 restaurants to choose from.

Restaurants to Check Out: Aldo's, Café Gia's, Chiapparelli's, Isabella's

Fell's Point: Just a 15-minute walk from the Inner Harbor (while I am encouraging you to expand your view of Baltimore beyond the Inner Harbor, it is a great landmark for the sake of navigation) is Fells Point. Located on the water, this neighborhood boasts quirky restaurants and bars, along with cobblestone streets. On Friday and Saturday nights at 7 p.m., there are Fells Point Ghost Tours



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The Inner Harbor may be one of your first thoughts of Baltimore, but there are over 225 neighborhoods to explore here.

if you are in the mood for a thrill, ranging from \$13-15.

Restaurants to Check Out: Bertha's, Blue Moon Café, Mezze, The Greene Turtle

Canton: This waterfront neighborhood is an eclectic mix of everything, much like Baltimore. It boasts Mexican cuisine, sushi, fish and American-style dining places if you want to steer clear of chains. You might want to check out O'Donnell Square for both restaurants and variety of shops you will not find at the mall. If you want to hang out by the water and not deal with too many tourists, then go to the Canton Waterfront Park to

enjoy the nautical aspects of the Inner Harbor without the crowds.

Restaurants to Check Out: Langerman's, Canton Dockside, Sip and Bite, Nacho Mama's

Whether this is your first year or your last year, I encourage you to get out and explore Baltimore, because there is more to it than Loyola's campus and the Inner Harbor. If you are going to go out, be original and go somewhere different—you don't want to look back after graduation and realize you never truly experienced Baltimore.

Summer of 2012, better known as the summer of the superhero

By EMILY SHAW
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Between long days as an intern and too-short beach weekends, I managed to steal a few hours here and there to find refuge in a cool theater and catch the latest summer flicks. Judging from box office sales, so did a few others.

The theme was clear in the season's biggest blockbusters: superheroes. From a hysterical amalgamation of characters in *The Avengers* to a reimagined series reboot of *The Amazing Spider-Man* to a trilogy's epic conclusion in *The Dark Knight Rises*, caped crusaders of every kind were back in theaters with a vengeance.

The first release of the summer was *The Avengers*, which debuted on May 4. The film joins Marvel Comic's most famous heroes under the secret organization S.H.I.E.L.D. to help save earth from Loki, the evil, otherworldly brother of one of the Avengers. The team is comprised of the abrasively funny Iron Man, wholesome Captain America and the always-angry Hulk, as well as the Black Widow, Hawkeye and sibling of the offender, Asgardian god Thor. The group bands together after Loki opens a portal to Earth following his exile to a foreign planet, and takes control of an untested energy source called the Tesseract. He has promised to turn over this powerful source to alien race, the Chitauri, if they help him destroy earth. While attempting to procure a stabilizing agent for the Tesseract, the Avengers intercept Loki and confine him aboard their floating home-base called a helicarrier. What follows is a clash of tactics and egos aboard the aircraft, interrupted by Loki's escape and a swift invasion of the Chitauri.

The movie was wholly entertaining and, for the most part, insular. Still, some of the backstories of the characters were lacking. I understood the nuanced Tony Stark, as I'd seen the two previous *Iron Man* films, but was mostly left in the dark with the characters of Hawkeye and Black Widow, neither of which have their own movies (yet). Additionally, the plot made a lot more sense when, following my screening of *Avengers*, I watched *Thor*, which I hadn't previously seen. The movie explained more about Thor and Loki's past, and while I understand that *The Avengers* could not have gone into their backstory as



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The Avengers kicked off the summer of superhero flicks back in May with Marvel heroes Thor(Chris Hemsworth) and Captain America(Chris Evans) pictured above.

completely as was done in *Thor*, I would have appreciated a little more information in *Avengers*, seeing as Loki was the central villain throughout the movie.

Next came the highly anticipated *The Amazing Spider-Man*. The film's cast and crew—featuring most prominently real-life couple Andrew Garfield and Emma Stone—began promotions for the film several months in advance of the July 3 release date. The movie is not a continuation of the Tobey Maguire series, which began in 2002, but rather a new telling of the classic comic tale directed by Marc Webb (pun intended, I'm sure), already set to be a trilogy like its predecessor. Garfield is adorably awkward as high schooler Peter Parker, a quiet boy with an interest in photography, science and his missing father's mysterious past. Parker sneaks into Oscorp—an advanced pharmaceutical company where his father's former partner, Dr. Curt Connors, still works—and joins a tour group led by Parker's classmate and crush, Stone's Gwen Stacy. After breaking away from the group to do investigating of his own, Parker is bitten by a spider with genetic modifications (evidence of his late father's research). Over the next few days, he quickly discovers a new range of super

powers. Parker falls very fast—into despair at his Uncle's violent death; into vigilante, vengeance-driven crime fighting; into a sweet love affair with Stacy (who happens to be the daughter of the police captain who has warrants out for the “reckless” Spider-man's arrest). His true test, however, comes when Connors uses an untested Oscorp injection of a cross-species genetics formula on himself. Instead of regrowing his amputated arm as he had hoped, he is transformed into a giant, mutant lizard. As the Lizard, Connors tries to unleash this dangerous formula on the entire city of New York, and Spider-man—the son of his onetime friend—is the only one who can defeat him.

All in all, *The Amazing Spider-Man* was a far funnier and, at the same time, more cinematic telling of the Spider-man story than the previous series. Upon rewatching the 2002 *Spider-man*, I found it to be a bit stiff, overly dramatic and a tad hokey in comparison to the newer film. Garfield is a more believable Spider-man, and Stone is a far more likeable love interest than Kirsten Dunst's M.J. in the original series. My one qualm with *The Amazing Spider-Man*: I wished the super-strong spider-webs had shot directly out of his wrists as they did in the Maguire version, instead of out the

scientific bracelets they came from in the new movie (although I am told that the new movie's manmade method is closer to the comic book tale).

Finally, the summer rounded off its triple dose of heroes on July 20 with the last installment of Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy with *The Dark Knight Rises*. Although the movie's premiere was tainted by an unspeakable tragedy in Colorado, avid fans still flocked to theaters, generating impressive opening weekend sales for the film. The movie begins with Bruce Wayne in seclusion after taking the blame for the late D.A. Harvey Dent's vicious acts, eight years after Batman's run-in with the villainous Joker and the devastating death of his longtime love, Rachel Dawes, in *The Dark Knight*. Wayne is forced to don the Batsuit once again when Gotham is terrorized by a new villain, Bane, an ex-prisoner with outstanding physical strength and a mask that constantly pumps him with drugs. Bane makes the sewers of the city his lair and, with the help of his makeshift army of freed prisoners, he attacks the city's stock exchange as a means to crash and subsequently buy out Wayne Enterprises. With this newfound power, Bane removes the nuclear reactor center of a sustainable energy project run by Wayne Enterprises that, unstable upon its removal, is sure to detonate and destroy Gotham in a matter of days. With these acts, he forces civilians, especially members of the police, into hiding. As Batman, Wayne must defeat Bane with the help of engineer Lucius Fox, business acquaintance Miranda Tate, indebted friend Commissioner Gordon, longtime supporter Officer Blake and the sometimes-ally, always mysterious Catwoman.

The film was a satisfying conclusion to the trilogy, tying in references from Wayne's start in *Batman Begins* and clearly picking up where *The Dark Knight* left off. The movie was replete with plot twists and an ending that, pleasantly, left little to the imagination—except as to whether or not a certain, surprising character will be granted a spinoff trilogy.

It's clear that theatergoers across the country were big fans of the superhero movies that studded the box office this season, but which hero was your favorite: Marvel's motley crew, science-loving Spidey or winged Wayne?

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Top 10 ways to enjoy the evergreen campus

By CARLY HEIDEGER
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First and foremost, I would like to warmly welcome back all of our readers. I hope your summers were all wonderfully filled with bonfires, tan lines and memories to keep you warm through our (hopefully not) cold B'MORE winter. I truly missed being away from my fellow Greyhounds this summer and want to make sure that everyone, new readers and old, know all about the different ways to enjoy the Evergreen campus!

1 Sunbathe on top of the roof above the student center while reading those introductory chapters. It's a quiet place that gives you a nice view of almost the entire Evergreen campus and direct exposure to some of those late September PTRs (prime-time-rays). Sun block still necessary!

2 Tennis, anyone? One of my main goals this semester is to attempt to catch up to our awe-inspiring Olympians (I'm only ten years behind them, right?). Behind Butler Hall are beautiful, state-of-the-art tennis courts. Even here, smack dab in the middle of Baltimore, Loyola has its very own "beach" volleyball courts, located right on the West side of campus. Grab a ball, some people and boom—gold medals all around.

3 FAC things up. Who needs the Rocky Mountains when you've got a ceiling-high rock wall in your own backyard? The Fitness and Aquatic Center is filled

with awesome, unique ways to keep that toned summer look after a long day (or to jump start one early in the morning). There's a multitude of activities to get your heart pumping, one of them even being seeing our very own Olympian, Michael Phelps.

4 Become a SuperFan! This past year was an exciting year for the Greyhounds. We made March Madness, became National Lacrosse Champions and reached new heights in other sports, achieving feats that I am certainly not coordinated enough to do. Not supporting the Greyhounds is impossible around here. Waiting in those dreaded long lines for the bus up to Ridley—so worth it. And I think we're all ready for Hopkins match round two. Let's go Greyhounds!

5 Read *The Greyhound* outside Starbucks with your morning coffee. It's filled with news and event coverage all geared towards our campus. Get on line early before you're waiting so close to Boulder that you may as well get coffee there and open up YOUR school paper.

6 Enjoy a peaceful hour in Alumni Chapel. Try out Sunday mass, even if it is just for mediation after a long, crazy, stressful week in preparation for another. It's the perfect way to have a calm, relaxing Sunday, followed by my personal favorite: Sunday night

football. (Go Giants!)

7 Service-learning courses. Stop and think about all that Loyola offers us: An education, free Fair Trade Friday coffee, free Rita's—you see where I'm going with this. A service-learning course is one of the best ways to give back to the school and city that you are living in. Immerse yourself in the heart of Baltimore city community service projects and see that there is more than what meets the eye.

8 Go "quading." And by that I mean, hang out on the quad. It sounds so cliché, "so college," but hanging out on the quad at school means you can get so many things accomplished. Sunbathing, people watching, catching up with friends and classmates, homework (only for the truly dedicated), Frisbee, sleeping—you name it, someone's probably doing it.

9 Catch the spirit. Getting involved seems like a really simple suggestion, but probably the most important of all. Remember to enjoy your campus and school. Join clubs solely because you like hamburgers. Go to the lectures that are offered (you could meet a Raven), climb the Rockwall, talk to someone new everyday, cheer on the crew team. It's only going to be your home if you make it one.

10 If you still can't find something to do after all that, try these out and let me know how they go: 1. Find your way through the Humanities Center in one shot. 2. Open your mail stop on the first try. 3. Get coffee in less than 5 minutes in between classes. 4. Catch a shuttle exactly when you need one.

As any true Greyhound knows, this list only scratches the surface. Let us know what we're missing by tweeting us!



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SuperFreakonomics: What's So Freaky About Economics

By VALENTINA GUZZO
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I had cleverly avoided reading the *Freakonomics* series for years, occasionally nodding my head when it came up in conversation and reading a Wikipedia article about some of the studies. While the premise sounded pretty cool—exploring the hidden economic underbelly of the world—it also sounded like an incredibly dull read. It took me about a month into summer vacation with no Internet access to even bother opening up the dusty, gray hardcover with blue lettering. Reminding myself that someone in my family had to have liked it to buy it, I decided to give it an honest try. Naturally, though, being the literary rebel I am, I chose to read *SuperFreakonomics* before the first *Freakonomics*. It was all for the better because the books are not a series, and as you will come to understand, Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner's examination of global cooling, patriotic prostitutes and the necessity for suicide bombers to purchase life insurance is, in my opinion, their finest work yet.

For those who are unfamiliar with the concept of *Freakonomics*, here is the short version: Two academics, Dubner, a well-known journalist, and Levitt, a respected economist, join forces to look at everyday events, behaviors and conditions through an economic lens. While it sounds like this book would only appeal to the kind of person who constantly pushes his glasses up his nose and spends his spare time programming Super Mario into his TI-89, don't be fooled. The book reads like an Op-Ed piece in *The New York Times*. Dubner's self-deprecating

humor, as well as his ability to relay a lot of numerical information in an entertaining and concise manner, makes this book easy to follow for everyone. For example, the opening contents page states, "Introduction: Putting the Freak in Economics in which the global financial meltdown is entirely ignored in favor of more engaging topics like toothless sharks and bloodthirsty elephants." Plus, as I touched upon earlier, the book does not have a unifying theme, so you can skip to whatever chapter interests you most, whether it's the unlikely savior of Indian women (you'd be surprised to know it has a link with *Gossip Girl*) or drowning in horse manure (which apparently, until the turn of the century, was a pretty common death).

I was really blown away by how fascinating some of the studies Dubner and Levitt conducted where and what we could all learn just by reading a couple of pages. Of course some of the studies seem quite silly at first glance, like how a street prostitute is like a department store Santa. When reading this I was taken aback; after all, how could Dubner and Levitt attempt to tarnish the reputation of the Santa that little children spend hours waiting to take pictures with? The answer: "they both take advantage of short-term job opportunities brought about by holiday spikes in demand." After the explanation of how street prostitutes work and on average how much they make (and made in the 20th century), the comparison seemed to make a lot more sense.

Another intriguing chapter was about how the most effective solutions are often cheap and simple, but that we as a society

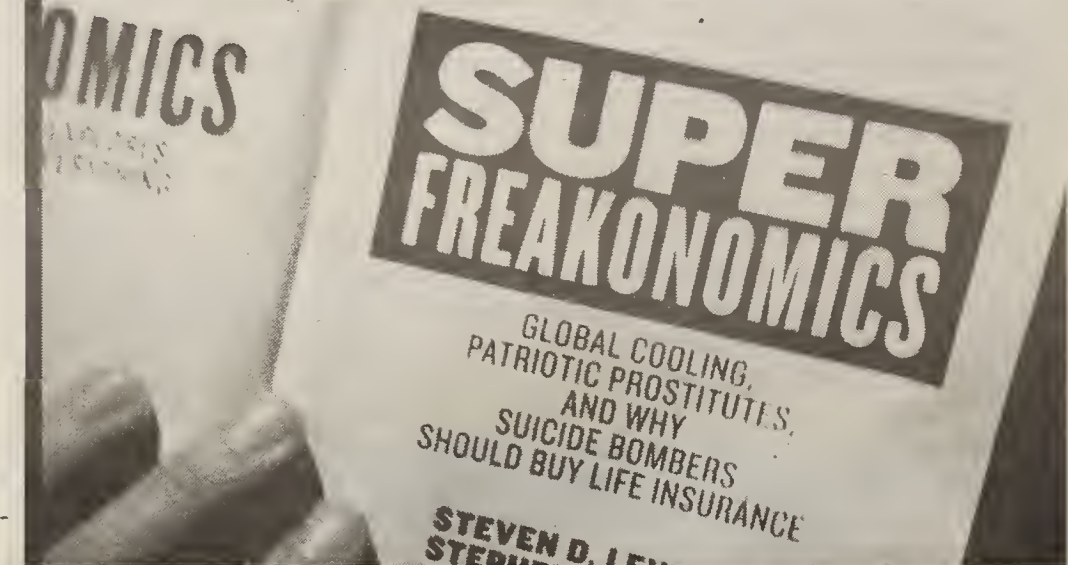


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have constantly refused to acknowledge this. Citing the past as an example, Dubner and Levitt explained how the simple medical technique of washing one's hands saved the lives of hundreds of thousands of women and children who often suffered fatalities at the hands of the doctors who they entrusted their lives with. This example of a cheap and quick solution is analogous to the current problem we have with the climate and global warming. There are simple solutions that "science geeks," like those of the Intellectual Ventures invention company, formulate in response to life's puzzles, like how to reduce hurricanes without hurting the environment. The solution? A cheap, rubber, tire-like contraption strapped to a rope (en masse) that churns ocean water, effectively killing hurricanes by hydraulic force. And to think that something as simple as a picket fence of tires from Cuba, the Yucatain and the eastern

seaboard of the United States could prevent future devastating hurricanes.

Overall, *SuperFreakonomics* was an incredible read and I was quite sad when I found myself on the last page. Its humorous voice coupled with its fascinating studies had me eagerly flipping through the book. As a plus, a lot of the topics are great conversation starters. If you have a genuine curiosity about how to catch a terrorist, how you can tell a good doctor from a bad one and how monkeys are people too, this book is for you.

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Loyola Athletics joins Patriot League in 2013-2014

By PAT TERWEDO
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Over the past two years the landscape of college sports has changed dramatically. Various universities have broken away from their conference affiliations and left for bigger and brighter things, often leaving behind longstanding rivalries. Some conferences have benefitted from the realignment, while others are left hanging after the mass exodus.

But this massive shift has not been limited to the large "BCS" conferences; the trend has continued at all levels of college athletics. Almost every conference has been affected by the movement, most recently the MAAC and the Patriot League.

On Wednesday, Aug. 29, Loyola University accepted an invitation to join the Patriot League for the 2013-2014 school year. Loyola will join the likes of Army, Navy, Lehigh and Bucknell, among others. Also joining the conference in '13-'14 will be Boston University. As a result of the move, for the first time ever, all of Loyola's programs will compete in the same conference. One of the benefits of the Patriot League is that 15 sports will receive automatic bids to the NCAA tournament, all the more opportunity to grow.

The only team that will be left out is the men's rowing team, which will continue to compete in regional races. The men's lacrosse team will leave the ECAC, while the women's team will move from the BIG EAST.

While many major universities have made their conference moves as a reaction to other schools' affiliations, Loyola's decision to leave the MAAC has been in the works for years. The only thing holding them back was finding the right fit, both athletically and academically. It may seem like the move is directly related to the recent success of Loyola's athletic programs, but in fact it is just the result of great timing.

"This just didn't pop out of anywhere, if you look at the universities strategic plan it was facilities then it was marketing then it was looking at conference affiliation, and the Patriot League was always an aspiration for us," said Athletic Director Jim Paquette.

That great timing, which has just made the Patriot League arguably the most competitive lacrosse league outside of the ACC, and already stiff competition with Lehigh, Colgate, Army and Navy. Don't forget that Colgate still has two more years with Tewaaraton Trophy winner Peter Baum.

Both the ECAC lacrosse league and the BIG EAST lacrosse league have become very volatile conferences of late. "Our lacrosse programs, which are among our best programs, are affiliate members in their leagues so they're vulnerable there if there are changes or the league repositions itself," Linnane said.

By moving the lacrosse programs into



Loyola will leave the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference and join the Patriot League starting in 2013-2014. This will be the first time ever that all of Loyola's athletic programs will compete in the same conference.

the same league as all the other Loyola programs, they can protect themselves from ever being forced out. "The Patriot League

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—Jim Paquette

is very stable, stability being a relative term in this environment, and we really like the philosophy," said Linnane.

But athletics is only half the story; Loyola has always taken pride in the academic success of their student athletes. In the last NCAA graduation report, Loyola had perfect graduation rates in 11 of 18 sports. The Patriot

League has led all on the NCAA division one conferences in graduation rate since 1998. Overall, the only league they trail is the Ivy League, a non-scholarship conference.

Over the past decade, Loyola has been working to build up the brand identity of the school. Loyola has spent large amounts of money improving the college experience by upgrading housing, classrooms and athletic facilities on campus. The next step is to create national awareness, and it's no secret that athletic success is one of the best ways to do it.

After last year's NCAA tournament basketball team and national champion lacrosse team, the foundation has been set. Now it is time to build on that success with higher quality opponents week in and week out.

The overall hope is that Loyola athletics will continue its upward trajectory. The new conference affiliation will bring back old rivalries as well as spark new ones.

The prospect of playing Navy every year in lacrosse is a very exciting addition

to our lacrosse schedule. The last time the Greyhounds faced off with the midshipmen was two years ago at the Ridley Athletic Complex. During the season opener that year, the game turned into a thriller with Loyola storming back from what appeared to be an insurmountable 7-2 deficit to claim a 9-8 victory. Don't be surprised if that becomes the norm when these two storied programs meet in the future.

Many of Loyola's current rivalries will live on; the men's lacrosse team hopes to continue to schedule Denver, but distance could make this a more difficult proposition. Another issue is that there are more teams in this conference, which leaves less room for nonconference opponents.

The Greyhounds are hoping to leave their mark on all of their respective leagues this season, with three teams looking to defend their titles. The Ridley Athletic Complex will play host to both the ECAC lacrosse championship and the BIG EAST lacrosse championship this year. There could not be a better way to go out.

LOYOLA

— GREYHOUNDS —

Men's soccer can't capitalize, falls to LaSalle in OT

BY AMANDA GHYSEL
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The Loyola men's soccer team has played almost 208 minutes of soccer in only two games. Through two completions of regulation time and three overtimes, the Hounds have only given up one goal. However, the impending problem seems to be that, though they've only conceded a single goal, they've scored zero.

The LaSalle Explorers took the trip down to Ridley Friday night for the Hounds' home opener, the first part of a double header during Crowne Plaza Kickoff Weekend. The Greyhounds had never lost to LaSalle going into Friday's game, but the teams had not competed since 1991, when the Explorers were still members of the MAAC.

On Friday, the two teams were even at zero at the end of regulation, marking the Hounds' second trip into overtime in two games. LaSalle had some dangerous opportunities in the overtime period, notching four shots to Loyola's one. With 2:30 remaining, Jason Plumhoff of LaSalle was taken down by senior back Gerwyn Jones inside the penalty area, awarding LaSalle a penalty kick. Plumhoff beat Hounds' keeper Thurman Van Riper, placing his shot in the top center of the net and winning the game for the Explorers.

That was the first goal Van Riper had



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Junior defender Jamie Libby fights for possession during Loyola's match versus LaSalle.

allowed so far this season, after earning his first career shutout on August 25 at St. Francis, where both sides remained scoreless through two overtimes. Van Riper was subsequently named MAAC Defensive Player of the Week before going another 97:30 in Friday's game without allowing a goal.

Though the Hounds could not get on the board, they outshot the Explorers 12-9 in regulation, with freshmen Larry Ndjock, a Berlin, Germany native, notching seven attempts in his debut at Ridley. Englishmen Connor Thompson added four shots of his own, using his fancy footwork to break through LaSalle's back line on several occasions. Ndjock and Thompson are joined by teammates from Iceland, North Ireland, Wales and seven states, making this season's roster a very diverse one.

One of Loyola's best offensive opportunities came in the 72nd minute when junior forward Diego McQuestion received a cross from Curran and attempted to head it into the net. The LaSalle defenseman blocked the ball at the goal line before LaSalle's keeper, John McCarthy, grabbed it out of the air, lengthening the Hounds' scoring drought.

"We have some young players out there, and I expect us to get better from this loss," said Coach Mettrick. "It is a disappointing loss, but certainly we have a lot of new players, and this is a good learning experience for them, and we will be better at the end of the year."

The Greyhounds take on Quinnipiac next Saturday at Ridley.

Greyhounds score late to tie local rival Towson

BY AMANDA GHYSEL
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Loyola women's soccer team continued the overtime trend during Friday night's doubleheader, taking local rival Towson through two overtime periods to end the game still tied 1-1.

Loyola has taken on the Tigers for 13 consecutive seasons, with Towson's only victory in the series coming last year when they topped the Greyhounds 2-0. And it was Towson who had the first big chance of the game, when Cheyenne Skidmore rang one off the crossbar in the third minute.

Loyola answered in the 11th minute when senior Nichole Schiro took a shot off a cross from freshmen Charlotte Miller, only to be stopped by Towson keeper Erin Quinn.

The Tigers were first to capitalize though, when Skidmore beat Loyola keeper Didi Haracic, sending the ball into the top corner of the net in the 21st minute.

At the half, the Hounds remained down 1-0. "I asked them how we were going to solve this," said head coach Katherine Vettori, of her halftime speech to the team, "because it was a very solvable situation." Her proposed solutions were better care of the ball, better defense and winning more 50/50 balls.

The Hounds produced more chances offensively in the second frame, with sophomore Kelly Santangelo sending one just over the bar early in the half and senior Gigi Mangione missing wide by inches in the 61st minute. The Greyhounds outshot Towson 8-3 in the second half, the Hounds



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The Hounds celebrate after scoring late in the second half to send the game into overtime, Loyola would eventually finish in a 1-1 tie with rival Towson.

finally finding the back of the net with 3:52 remaining. Senior Brittany Yancey sent a ball down the line to senior Tessa McClenahan, who crossed it into Schiro. Schiro put the ball away, evening the teams at one and allowing her to tie Carolyn Kennington's record for most career points (89).

Towson had an opportunity to prevent overtime in the waning moments of the half, but Haracic got her fingertips on a point-blank shot, sending the ball careening over the top

of the net.

The Hounds spent time in front of the Tigers' net early in the first overtime, with the forwards parrying the ball back and forth in the 18-yard-box, only to ultimately be called offside before getting a shot off.

But the Tigers had the most dangerous opportunity of the first overtime, when Emily Barnes hit the crossbar with 1:41 to go. Towson kept that momentum into the second 10 minutes of extra time, when

Skidmore took on Haracic one-on-one in the first 40 seconds. But Haracic's sprawling save kept the game even. The junior goalkeeper concluded the game with 7 saves.

"The Towson game is always a great one and they got up for it tonight," said Coach Vettori. "I'm proud of our effort tonight. We never stopped fighting."

The Greyhounds are back in action this Friday night at 7 p.m. when Delaware makes the trip to Ridley.

We remember... Adam Pomper

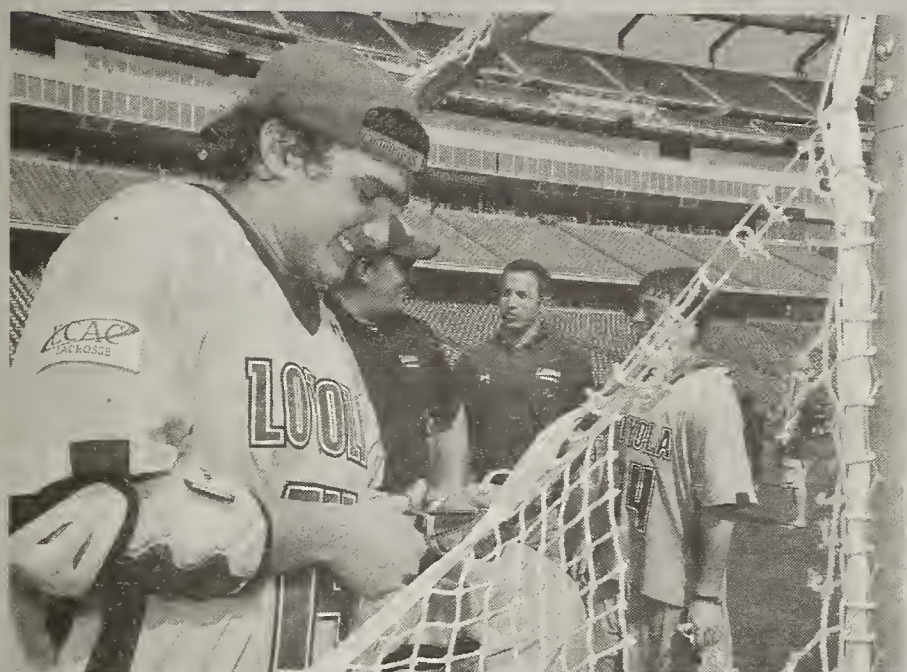


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Men's soccer breaks through on offense, wins first game

By PAT TERWEDO
SPORTS EDITOR

After two straight games of coming up short on offense, the Greyhounds (1-1-1) finally broke through, scoring twice to knock off California State University Northridge 2-1 on Sunday. The win was Loyola's first of the season. Northridge (2-2) had received votes in the last NCAA national poll.

The Northridge Matadors came out quickly and possessed the ball well throughout most of the first half. Sloppy play on the part of the Greyhound defenders allowed Northridge to put together the first scoring threat of the game. An errant pass allowed a Matador to break through and send a shot directly at Loyola junior goalkeeper Thurman Van Riper.

Loyola responded shortly thereafter with a chance of their own, a corner kick that floated dangerously in front of the Northridge goal, but was cleared quickly by the defense.

Northridge took the lead first with a free kick goal in the 41st minute of play. Sagi Lev-Ari blasted a low shot just out of reach of the outstretched arms of Van Riper. Loyola, however, wasted no time in finding the equalizer, scoring off of a corner kick in the 43rd minute. Freshman forward Larry Ndjock headed across from sophomore Connor Thompson to give the Hounds their first score of the year.

"We finally got some good goals which is just fantastic; it's a huge confidence booster

for the defensive backs and myself," Van Riper said.

The second half turned into a much more even fight as possession went back and forth throughout until the 67th minute when Ndjock was fouled 20 yards from the goal. Junior Kevin Curran sent the free kick into the box where Ndjock was able to send it home for his second score of the ball game.

Northridge fought hard to get an equalizer but simply ran out of time.

"I'm so proud of the guys today, we worked really hard and we had a really tough loss on Friday night in overtime, and for us to bounce back and be very good against a tough Northridge team is just excellent," said Head Coach Mark Mettrick.

The Matadors outshot the Greyhounds 15-7 and both keepers had two saves.

Loyola returns to action against Quinnipiac on Saturday.

Men's Soccer Schedule

9/8 vs Quinnipiac
9/11 @ Towson
9/15 @ Campbell
9/19 @ UMBC
9/22 vs JMU

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Women's
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Reitz

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Soccer
vs
Quinnipiac
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Ridley

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Invitational
All Day

SUN

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Soccer
vs
American
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Tennis
Bucknell Invi-
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